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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director/National Estimates**SUBJECT: DIA Request for Updating of NIE 10-58: "Anti-Communist Resistance Potential in the Sino-Soviet Bloc".**

1. In support of this request, DIA specifies studies and contingency planning now underway with regard to East Germany, Albania, and Communist China. With respect to Albania, NIE 11-5-62 contains three paragraphs on that country which should be of use to contingency planners. To our knowledge there is little or no additional information on resistance potential in Albania which would add to the substance of those three paragraphs. With respect to East Germany, we are proposing for the second quarter a new estimate on that country which will include an appraisal of resistance potential. We believe that a SMIE dealing with resistance potential on mainland China might bring to light new and useful information and judgments and propose that such a paper be scheduled for early April. Thus we feel that the three subjects cited by the requester either are or will be adequately covered in national estimates.

2. In general, we regarded NIE 10-58 as of doubtful value when it was published. Since that time, our information on resistance in most Bloc countries has declined, but the general trend of our estimates on most of them, particularly those not cited in paragraph 1, has been in the direction of increased internal stability and a lowering of resistance potential. A new, full scale revision of NIE 10-58 would, in our view, be of little value and would lay a substantial burden on intelligence resources assigned to other tasks.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
 WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

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SUBJECT: Request for Updating of National Intelligence Estimate 10-58,
 "Anti-Communist Resistance Potential in the Sino-Soviet
 Bloc" (C)

TO: Chairman, United States Intelligence Board
 Central Intelligence Agency
 Washington 25, D. C.

1. The Assistant Secretary of Defense (International Security Affairs) is currently engaged in studies with regard to possible East German uprisings and with regard to contingency planning for other "hot spots" such as Albania and Communist China. In addition, studies are underway focussing on the requirement for over-all military planning for Special Force operations in various parts of the world.
2. It is realized that an updated NIE 10-58 alone cannot meet the varied requirements for intelligence needed in the development of policies and plans at various levels of government. However, it can help fill part of the bill, and will serve as a step in the direction of highlighting the growing importance of firm and accurate intelligence on the resistance and dissidence potential within the Sino-Soviet Bloc.
3. NIE 10-58 was chiefly the work of a USIB committee, the Resistance Intelligence Committee. However, since this committee has been disestablished, it is suggested that the machinery of the Board of National Estimates be used for updating NIE 10-58. It is requested that this updating of NIE 10-58 be completed by 1 May 1962.

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